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GENERAL
ENTERTAINMENT OF AGENCY OFFICIALS TRAVELING ON TEMPORARY DUTY

1. It has come to my attention that Agency field officials are, at least in some cases, spending considerable personal money on the entertainment of headquarters personnel visiting field stations on official business. Requests have been made for the authorization of official entertainment funds for this purpose because of the financial burden involved.

2. The use of official funds for the exclusive entertainment of United States officials, CIA or otherwise, is prohibited by law, and Agency officials traveling abroad on temporary duty are authorized ample allowances to take care of their requirements.

3. I do not want our field personnel to feel any personal or official obligation to entertain, at their own expense, those Agency officials who visit their stations. Moreover, traveling CIA officials should in no way subject other Agency personnel to the financial burden of entertaining them. Visiting CIA officials can be entertained, however, on a strictly voluntary basis, and the visiting officials under these circumstances will be expected to pay their pro rata share of any such entertainment.

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